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## **AMENDMENT**

## Commissioner for Patents:

In response to the Office communication mailed by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "PTO") on July 18, 2007, please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.